

Has Collection of Teapots.

A Washington woman has a collection of teapots large enough to fill a whole room. There are in this collection over 300 pots of china, copper and earthenware. Some of them are in the form of dolls, monkeys, elephants and tigers. Others are in the form of houses, temples and towers. Others still are in the form of fans, walking sticks, bracelets, birds and flowers. One is a puzzle teapot. In appearance it is like a solid ball of green metal. On the pressure of a spring, however, a small round opening appears, whence the tea may be poured.

Another pot, of gold, is from a Chinese temple. It only holds a quarter of a pint and the five tiny gold cups that go with it only hold a thimbleful apiece.

Not a Good Scheme.

Col. "Bill" Skerrett, of Texas, three times suffered robbery while attending the Chicago convention eight years ago. Twice he telegraphed to his good friends in Texas to send up cash. "Pon my word," said the colonel, "the next time I get money I will keep it in my mouth."

A tongue-tied friend whose opportunities of cracking jokes are few, saw the chance of his lifetime, so he stammered out:

"M-m-my God, Co-co-colonel, you talk t-t-too damn much to k-k-keep it long in your mouth!"—New York Times.

Female Labor in Mexico.

The question of female labor is becoming a factor in the business life of the City of Mexico, as well as in some of the other large cities of Mexico. Only a few years ago this labor was almost unknown in offices and stores, but every year the number is becoming larger. The wages paid to the young women are not as yet very large, but the prospects are that as they become more efficient wages will rise.

Seek Proof of Death.

The Venetian courts for some time have been trying to ascertain whether Prince Carlo Vincenzo Giovannelli, who is known to have been alive in 1703, is dead yet. The disposal of a claim to more than \$1,000,000 is at issue. So far no death certificate in the case has been procurable, but a priest has offered to swear that the prince is no longer alive, and his deposition will be accepted.

Sly Bridget.

Bridget was none too truthful and her mistress had been using all her eloquence to make her see the error of deceitfulness. But her would-be reformer owned herself routed when Bridget turned upon her a beaming Irish smile and said in a most cajoling tone: "Sure, now, ma'am, and what do ye suppose the power o' de-savin' was given us fer?"

Occupied Queer Pulpit.

A curious pulpit was that used by Bishop Bickersteth, who once occupied the lantern-space of a lighthouse in which to deliver a short address to a small gathering of visitors and the lighthouse men themselves. On another occasion the saintly old man preached in the operating theater of a hospital to a congregation of patients.

Prison for Paris Butcher.

A Paris butcher has been sent to prison for three months for selling goat's flesh dressed to resemble lamb.

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Terror Cures Physical Ills.

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